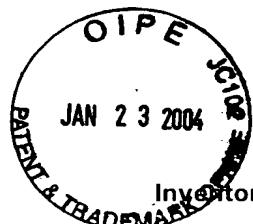


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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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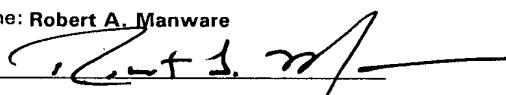
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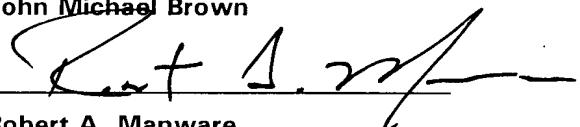
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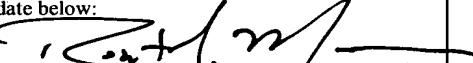
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The Applicant has elected to file a Request for Continued Examination to continue prosecution of the above-identified case. Applicants hereby submit the present Preliminary Amendment as the submission pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Prior to examination of the application, please enter the amendment and consider the remarks set forth below.